

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of
3 the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Dr. Ronald D.
4 Michaelson on the occasion of his retirement as the Executive
5 Director of the State Board of Elections and to thank him for
6 his faithful service; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Michaelson was born on December 31, 1941; he
8 received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wheaton College in
9 1963, a Master of Arts degree in political science from
10 Northwestern University in 1965, and a Ph.D. in government
11 from Southern Illinois University in 1970; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Michaelson began his government work as
13 Assistant to the Governor for Governor Richard B. Ogilvie; he
14 then served as Assistant to the Vice President of Academic
15 Affairs and Assistant Professor of Public Affairs at the
16 former Sangamon State University in Springfield; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Michaelson began his career with the State
18 Board of Elections as the first and only Executive Director
19 the board has ever had; as Executive Director, he has had
20 complete administrative and supervisory responsibility of an
21 agency which employs 65 staff with an approximate annual
22 budget of \$9 million; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Michaelson is the author of numerous
24 articles on government which have been published in leading
25 state and national journals; he currently holds an
26 appointment to the Advisory Committee of the Federal Election
27 Commission, is a past national chairman of the Council on
28 Governmental Ethics Laws, and is a frequent speaker at
29 national conferences in the areas of election administration
30 and campaign finance; he is an adjunct professor of Public
31 Affairs at the University of Illinois at Springfield;
32 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
3 we congratulate Dr. Ronald D. Michaelson on the occasion of
4 his retirement as the Executive Director of the State Board
5 of Elections after 30 years of distinctive service, and we
6 thank him for his dedication to service of the citizens of
7 Illinois; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to Dr. Michaelson as an expression of our respect
10 and esteem and with our sincere wishes for many happy years
11 of retirement.